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# CAPTAIN AMERICA

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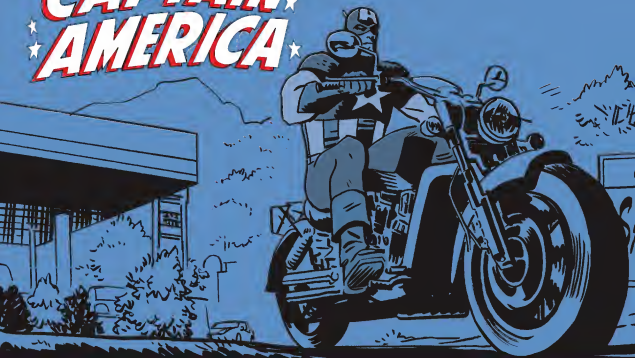
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1940! As the world teetered on the brink of global war, frail Steve Rogers entered a secret laboratory and was transformed into the American Super-Soldier! For five thrilling years, he fought the Axis powers—until a freak stroke of fate threw him into suspended animation. When he awoke, he was a man decades out of his time! Since that fateful day, Steve Rogers has sought his destiny in this brave new world!

# CAPTAIN AMERICA



An evil version of Captain America led the world to the brink of destruction. The original Captain America returned in time to stop him, but the dark legacy of the Secret Empire lingers on—a truth felt by no one more than Steve Rogers himself. Can Steve find his place in a world that has been made to fear Captain America?

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OH, MY.  
YOU  
CERTAINLY  
KNOW WHAT TO  
DO WITH YOUR  
STICK.

WHAT DO  
THEY CALL YOU,  
COWBOY?

STEVE.  
WHAT DO  
THEY CALL  
YOU?



BAIT.



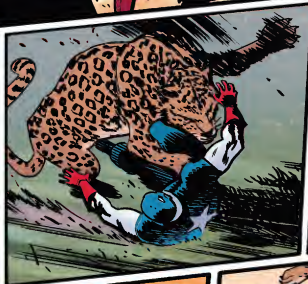
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I NEED YOU TO LISTEN TO EVERYTHING I SAY AND FOLLOW MY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE LETTER. UNDERSTOOD?

YESSIR.



THE TRAIL HAS NARROWED. NEVER GOOD. CHANCES ARE, WE'RE BEING STEERED TOWARD SOMETHING.

AH, CLEVER.

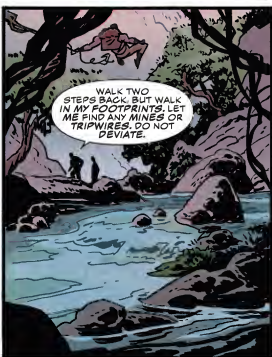


SWAK



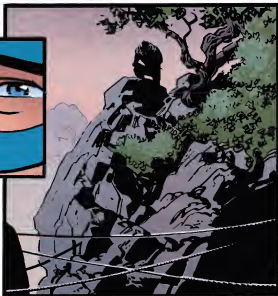
THOSE SNAKES WERE FOR YOU, NOT ME. KRAVEN KNEW I'D SEE THEM.

HE'S FAR MORE CREATIVE THAN THAT.



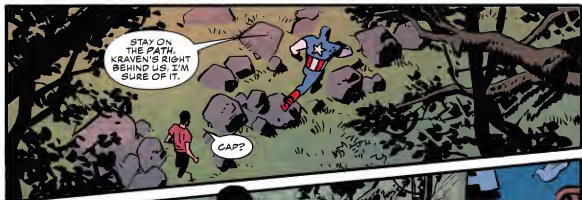
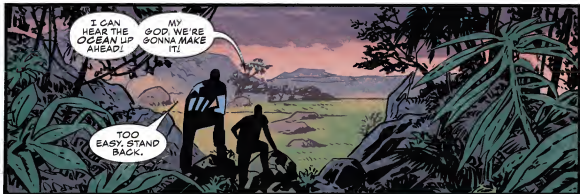
WALK TWO STEPS BACK, BUT WALK IN MY FOOTPRINTS. LET ME FIND ANY MINES OR TRIPWIRES. DO NOT DEVIATE.





















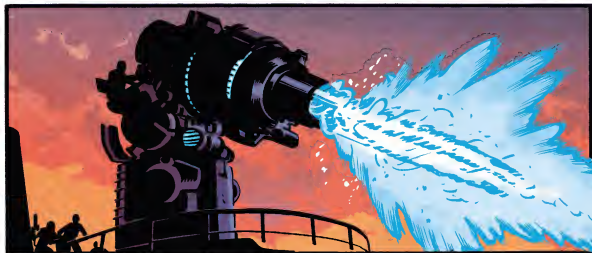
KRAVEN!  
YOU...  
WANT...TO  
LIVE...?

TURN...  
OFF...THE  
COLLAR!

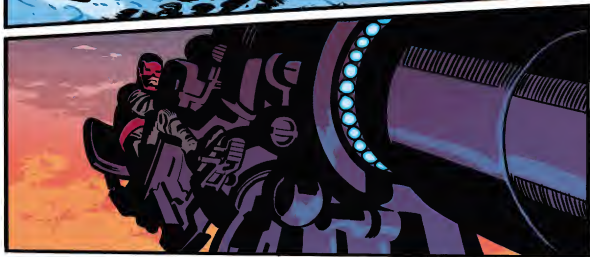
DO  
IT!

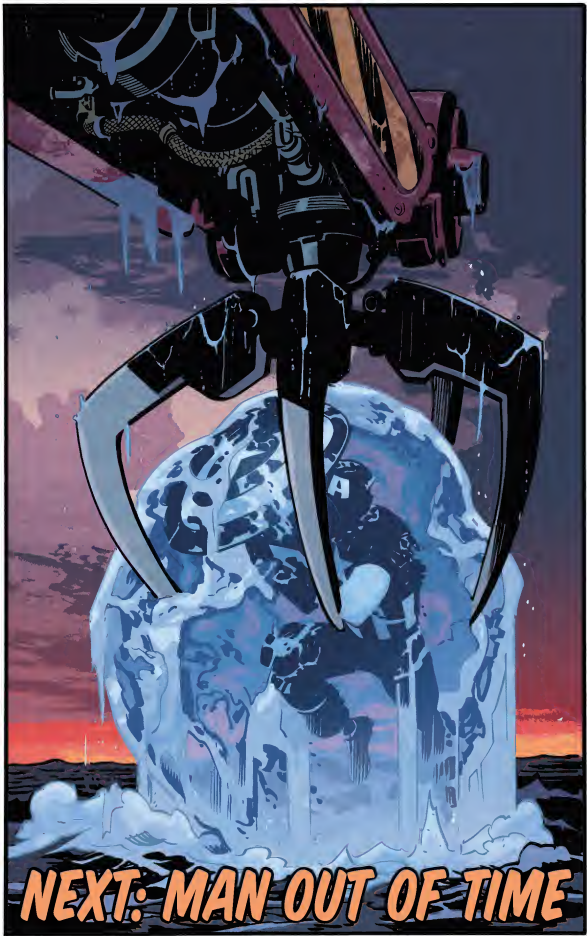
I'M  
ABOUT...  
FIVE SECONDS  
AWAY...FROM  
BLACKING  
OUT...  
...AND  
WE'LL BOTH  
FALL! HELP  
ME!











***NEXT: MAN OUT OF TIME***

# CAP'S CORNER



## WHAT DOES CAPTAIN AMERICA MEAN TO YOU?

What does Captain America mean to me?

Cap is a character we can all look up to. Someone that we can strive toward. Someone that represents not just the best of American ideals but the best in us as people. His never-say-die attitude in the face of any challenge--and his humility, while being arguably the best of the best of the super hero breed--have kept me reading his comic adventures since my childhood, sustained me through two cracks at drawing the title and will keep me hitting the comic shop to see what he's up to for years to come.

Oh, and the outfit looks pretty neat. :)

•Chris Samnee

I have to say: Wow, what a way to start a run. Cap has been one of my favorite heroes for a long time now, and I feel like as I grow older, I love him more. Even though he has "America" in his name, what he stands for is universal to me. He inspires the best in us all, and sees the best in each of us. So much so that even as someone who grew up on the other side of the world, Cap is someone I aspire to be like. Cap sees the world, and people, for what it can be, and that makes us strive toward that ideal, which is such a beautiful sentiment. If we aspire to be someone whom Captain America can be proud of, never giving up and caring for one another, the world will truly be a better place. Thank you for very succinctly demonstrating all this [possibly unintelligible] babble in one issue in CAPTAIN AMERICA #695!

•Amanda Lee, from Singapore

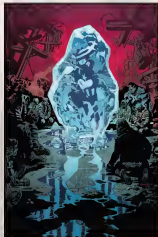
Growing up, I always thought Captain America was kind of boring. I mean, what kid wouldn't? He wasn't the God of Thunder or a wise-cracking Wall-Crawler--he was just a guy with a shield. As I got older and the world got scarier and harder to deal with, I realized how wrong I was.

Cap wasn't boring, he was steadfast--he didn't let the darkness of the world change him. No matter how bleak things got or how inevitable defeat seemed, Cap never lost sight of hope. That's when Cap changed for me. He became an anchor in the storm, a beacon of hope, a symbol to never compromise who you are. Regardless of who wears the stripes and carries the shield, that's what Captain America means to me.

•Ronald Caterisano

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